

Indiana Palliative Care and Quality of Life Advisory Council

Year-One Report

December 9, 2016

Indiana Code IC 16-19-17 created the Indiana Palliative Care and Quality of Life Advisory Council (PCQOLAC) and the report. The advisory council was established for the following purposes:

1. To educate and advocate for quality palliative care.
2. To collect, analyze, advise on, and develop state initiatives concerning the establishment, maintenance, operation, and evaluation of palliative care in Indiana.
3. To make policy recommendations to improve palliative care and the quality of life of individuals with serious illnesses.
4. To prepare a report not later than January 1 of each year concerning the council's findings.

The PCQOLAC met for the first time Friday, December 9, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH). The meeting agenda and topic facilitators are outlined below:

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

*Jennifer Walthall, MD, MPH, Deputy State Health Commissioner, ISDH*

**2. Background**

*Bryan Hannon, Indiana Government Relations Director, American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network*

**3. Member Expectations**

*Keylee Wright, MA, Cancer Control Section Director, ISDH*

**4. Next Steps**

*Keylee Wright, MA, Cancer Control Section Director, ISDH*

**5. Ethics Training**

*Rachel Russell, JD, Deputy Director and Agency Ethics Officer, Office of Legal Affairs, ISDH*

**6. Adjourn**

Appointed members of the PCQOLAC are:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title and Organization</b>	<b>Council Position</b>
1. Susan Hickman, PhD	Professor, Co-Director IU School of Nursing, IUPUI RESPECT Center	Interdisciplinary Medical Palliative Care ( <i>Council Chair</i> )
2. Mika Hill, RN, BSN	Executive Director Seasons Hospice and Palliative Care of Indiana	Nursing
3. Chris Brinneman, MSW	Palliative Care Social Worker Parkview Health	Social Work

4.	Jeffrey Imars, PharmD, MBA, BCPS	Pharmacy Operations Manager St. Vincent Anderson Regional Hospital	Pharmacy
5.	Steve Ivy, PhD	Senior VP for Values, Ethics, Social Responsibility and Pastoral Services Indiana University Health	Spiritual/Religious Professional Expertise
6.	Bryan Hannon	Indiana Government Relations Director American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network	Patient/Family Caregiver Advocacy Group
7.	Tom Ledyard, MD	Senior Medical Director Palliative Care Services, Community Health Network	Physician Specialized in Hospice or Palliative Care Medicine
8.	Lynn Robbin, MSN, RN, ANP-BC	Palliative Care Director Franciscan Health	Registered Nurse Specialized in Hospice or Palliative Care Medicine
9.	Gerald Walthall, MD	Retired Medical Director of Palliative Care Franciscan Health	Physician Specialized in Hospice or Palliative Care Medicine
10.	Karen Moody, MD	Director, Integrative Medicine and Palliative Care Riley Hospital for Children	Physician Specialized in Hospice or Palliative Care Medicine
11.	Stacey Sharp, MBA	Director Palliative Care Services, Community Health Network	Administrative

Plans for 2017 will be to meet regularly and identify a plan of action to meet the purposes of the establishment of the advisory council as outlined in IC 16-19-17.

The PCQOLAC does not have any findings to report at this time.